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## Interregional Learning towards Sustainable Mobility in Europe: the REGIO-MOB Experience

### NewsLetter #7 – February 2020

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- **Project summary**

The following newsletter is the latest in the REGIOMOB project and summarizes some main inputs which demonstrate the commitment in implementing the action plans for sustainable mobility.

In its annual assessment of the economic and social situation in the EU, the European Commission set out its first ideas on how EU funds can help Member States to solve their investment challenges and priorities in the next programming period 2021-2027. ECF's analysis of national reports shows a systematic inclusion of recommendations for active and sustainable mobility. Although these have yet to be translated into concrete investments, the positive trend shows the benefits of taking active and sustainable mobility into account in all relevant EU policy areas.

*The development of regional mobility strategies with a REGIO-MOB holistic approach is underway in the 6 regions of the project partners and can be followed through the project communication channels:*

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## **High-level political Forum “Interregional Learning towards Sustainable Mobility in Europe: the REGIO-MOB Experience” (Greece)**

*What was it talked about?*

**On 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 a High-Level Political Forum** was held in Kozani where representatives from the meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable mobility convened under the auspices of the European REGIO-MOB project was held in Kozani at the Municipal Library Amphitheater, on 22 October 2019, followed by a Steering Committee on 23 October.

The final dissemination event began with a welcome from Ms Kalliopi Kyriakidou, Deputy Regional Energy, Infrastructure and Environmental Engineer.

Ms. Kyriakidou spoke about the Region of Western Macedonia, the specific characteristics of the region, the subject of the Regional Mobility Plan and the Vision of Sustainable Mobility of the Region.

The speech was taken by the Policy Officer, Interreg Europe Joint Secretariat, who briefed on the progress of the Interreg Europe program with emphasis on:

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- 1 Exchange of solutions for better regional policy
  - 2 Interregional Cooperation plans
  - 3 Estimation of overall projects implemented or currently being implemented with funding from the Interreg Europe program
  - 4 Percentage breakdown of projects by sector of funding
  - 5. Results achieved by September 2019
  - 6. Improvement of policies by June 2019
  - 7. Policy learning platform and results overview
  - 8. Synergy overview in low carbon economy (60 projects)
  - 9. Reference to Sustainable Mobility projects
  - 10. Overview of the REGIO - MOB project



The representatives of the national, regional and local Authorities related the lessons learned with the experience conducted with REGIOMOB, within the Interreg Europe program.



The general objective of REGIO-MOB is to contribute to sustainable development in the European Union and in our region by promoting sustainable mobility in the European regions participating in the program by influencing the relevant tools and instruments. The political representatives illustrated the results, solutions and next steps to face the challenges for the consolidation of sustainable mobility, through:

- the development of regional mobility strategies with an approach that is as integrated as possible.
- an activity of regional analysis of needs and good practices in continuous updating thanks to the INTERREG EUROPE platform.
- the development of action plans for sustainable mobility.

**In particular, the latter have been presented in a way that encourages adaptation and replicability in other European cities.**



A presentation of Responsible Policy Interreg Europe Joint Secretariat, **Verena Priem**, illustrated the State of Play about **Interreg Europe**, highlighting how the program has managed to involve 30 countries and investing € 359 million in policy learning, in the four sectors for sharing solutions for better regional policy:

- *Research and innovation*
- *SME competitiveness*
- *Low-carbon economy (in which REGIO-MOB is present)*
- *Environment and resource efficiency*

This program was an accelerator for regional development.

At the heart of EU cohesion policy:

- *improving regional development policies (in particular Structural Funds)*
- *Mix of more and less advanced regions*
- *High participation of peripheral regions.*



## An accelerator for regional development

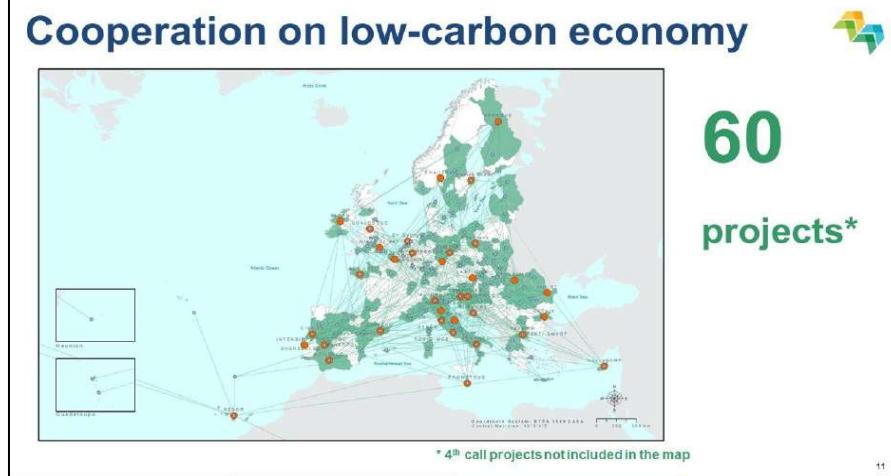
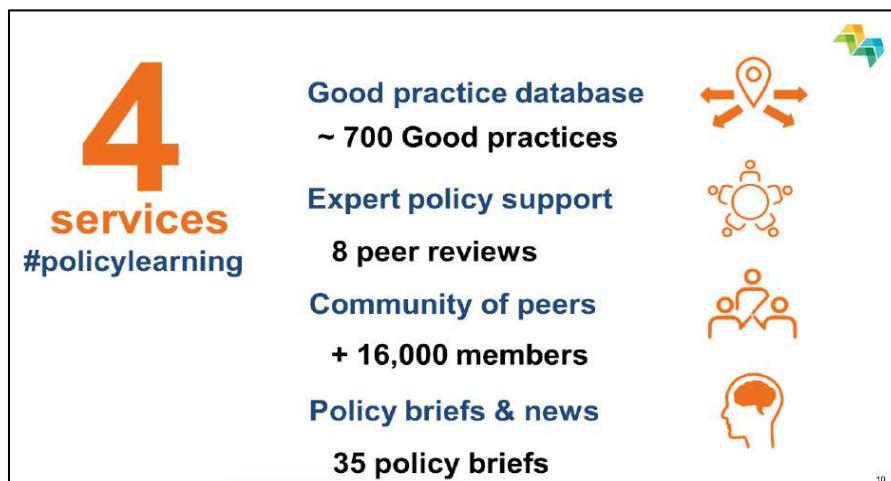
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- Improving regional development policies (in particular Structural Funds)
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**Based on local needs:** Importance of stakeholders

**Focus on results:** 2 phases of projects (exchange of experience + implementation)

**Innovative:** Lump sum for phase 2 (4<sup>th</sup> Call projects)





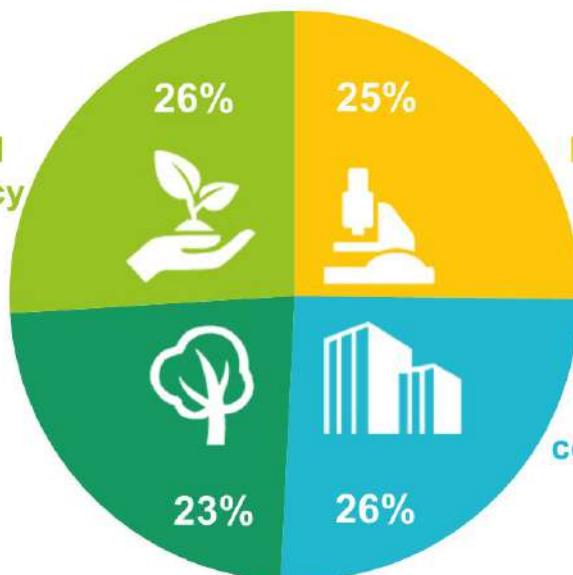
## Balanced

Environment and  
resource efficiency

**67**

Low-carbon  
economy

**60**



Research and  
innovation

**65**

SME  
competitiveness

**66**

## Outputs achieved

(validated as of September 2019)

**2130**

Good practices  
identified

**5800**

Staff with  
increased capacity

**380**

Action plans

**43 %**

**26 %**

**30 %**

% of target reached

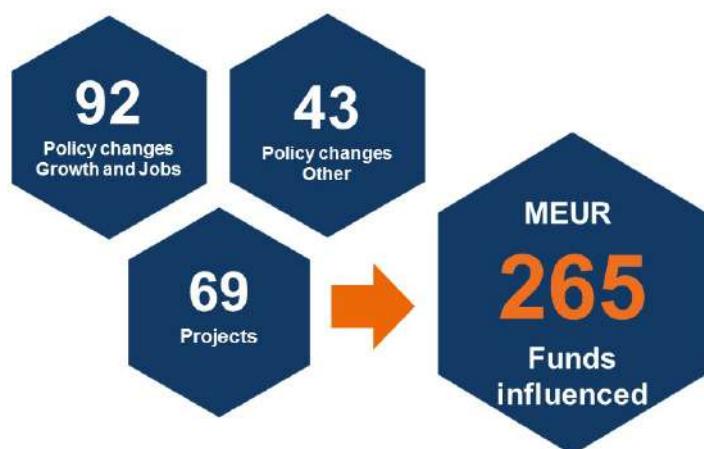
93 projects have finished phase 1

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## Improving policies (Validated as of June 2019)



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## Policy Learning Platform



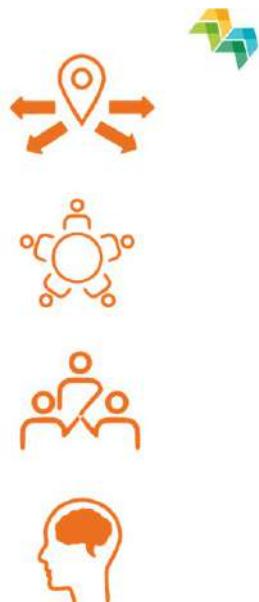


# 4 services

#policylearning

**Good practice database**

**~ 700 Good practices**



**Expert policy support**

**8 peer reviews**

**Community of peers**

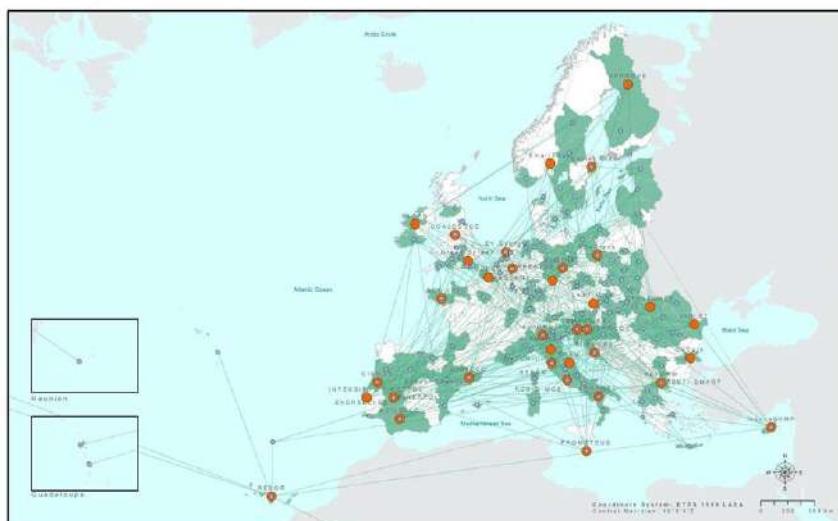
**+ 16,000 members**

**Policy briefs & news**

**35 policy briefs**

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## Cooperation on low-carbon economy



**60  
projects\***



\* 4<sup>th</sup> call projects not included in the map

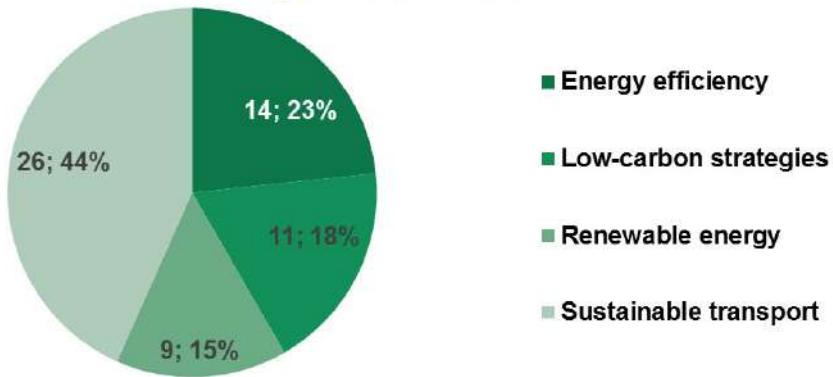
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## Cooperation on low-carbon economy



### Project clusters



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## Sustainable mobility



Project Partners  
Region of Lower Austria (AT)  
Austrian Institute of Technology (AT)  
Argonne National Laboratory (US)  
Czech Technical University in Prague (CZ)  
Institute of Transport Studies (UK)  
South-East Scotland Transport Partnership (UK)



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25 projects on urban mobility, e-mobility, ICT, intermodality etc.

Some examples:

- CISMOB
- CYCLEWALK
- DESTI-SMART
- E-MOB
- EU CYCLE
- EV ENERGY
- InnovaSUMP
- LAST MILE
- OptiTrans
- PE4Trans
- REFORM
- RESOLVE
- SchoolChance
- SMART-MR
- TRAM
- ...

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**Partner:** Niepolomice  
Municipality, Malopolska region  
(PL)

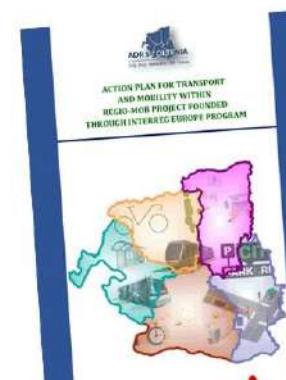


### Regional Operational Programme for Malopolska 2014-2020

- Niepolomice learnt from Slovenia and from Scotland how to plan P+R parks
- Proposal submitted to the ROP Managing Authority for construction of multimodal P+R system
- Objective: increase low-emission transport
- Funds influenced: estimated 0.1 MEUR

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### Active contribution at programme level



Sharing experience  
with Action Plan in  
thematic workshop in  
Manchester (2018)



Participation in the exhibition Europe,  
Let's cooperate in Brussels (2019)

14 good practices published on Good Practice Database and some of them highlighted in PLP publications



Participation in online discussion on  
demand-responsive transport (2018)

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## What about the future?

- May 2018: Interreg Europe not present in the EC draft proposal for 2021-2027: **pan European interregional cooperation seemed no longer possible!**
- Since then: negotiation with EP and Council who asked for Interreg Europe to be back
- To be continued.... (finalisation of regulation, budget decision)



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**Thank you!  
Any questions?**

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### Information on the progress of the project by the REGIO-MOB lead partner ANCI LAZIO (IT)

The speech was taken by the representative of the lead partner, Andrea Vignoli, Head of the Anci Lazio Region European Project Section, who gave a general overview of the project's progress and results.

According to the lead partner, the project results are described in the following slides:

Result indicators	Achieved so far	Target
Number of Growth & Jobs and/or ETC programmes where measures inspired by the cooperation were implemented in the field tackled by the project.	3	4
Amount (EUR) of Structural Funds (from Growth & Jobs and/ or ETC) influenced by the project in the field tackled by the project.	2,100,000	648,240
Number of other regional policy instruments where measures inspired by the cooperation were implemented in the field tackled by the project.	0	2
Amount (EUR) of other funds influenced by the project in the field tackled by the project.	0	228,600



## Achieved results

<b>Result indicators</b>	<b>Achieved so far</b>	<b>Target</b>
Number of policy learning events organised	60	66
Number of good practices identified	33 (+2)	35
Number of people with increased professional capacity due to their participation in interregional cooperation activities	345	264
Number of action plans developed	6	6
Number of appearances in media (e.g. press)	121	38
Average number of sessions at the project pages per reporting period	1,096	1,550

### Lazio Regional Union Municipalities and Cities - ANCI Lazio

The interventions implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in the Lazio Region are as follows:

info-mobility system in Lazio Region with focus area of Rome's metropolitan area.

This system incorporates real-time information on:

- ✓ The regional rail transport system
- ✓ The regional public transport system
- ✓ Local public transport in Rome (bus + metro).

Action 2 of the Regio-Mob Action Plan presented by the ANCI Lazio Region aims to include all local public transport services of the municipalities of the Lazio region in the regional information and mobility system.



Lazio Region representative, Mr Stefano Cecconi, then referred to the upgrades of the infomobility system in the metropolitan area of Rome, in particular, he reported on actions to upgrade info-mobility system in the metropolitan area of Rome and Lazio Region, in specify:

- ✓ On 29/01/2019 the expense of reinforcing the infomobility system in the metropolitan area of Rome was approved.
- ✓ 14 The contract for the implementation of these activities with ASTRAL S.p.A was signed on 14/2/2019: This contract will implement these activities with ASTRAL S.p.A was signed on 14/2/2019, in particular is foreseen:
  - Improvement of the existing regional ITS in a comprehensive manner in the metropolitan area of Rome with a view to continuous participation of urban areas outside the city of Rome, providing information on public and private transport (EUR 2 million).



- Development of electronic ticketing system (SBE) software with the introduction of new systems for public transport operators in the metropolitan area of Rome locally and centrally (EUR 3 million).

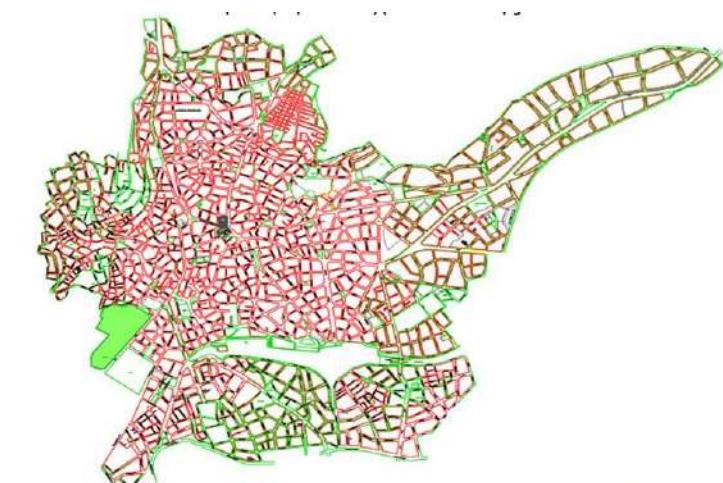


## Region of Western Macedonia

The intervention implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in the Region of Western Macedonia is as follows:  
Park & Ride system with focus area Kozani area.



The following slides show the approved Urban Mobility Plan of the Municipality of Kozani:

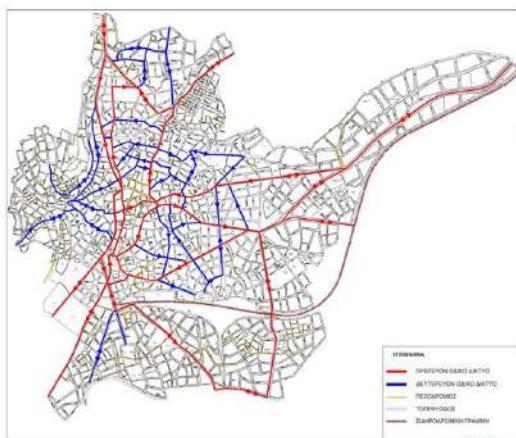
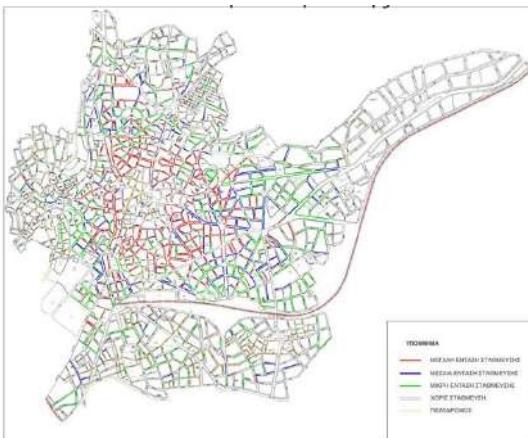
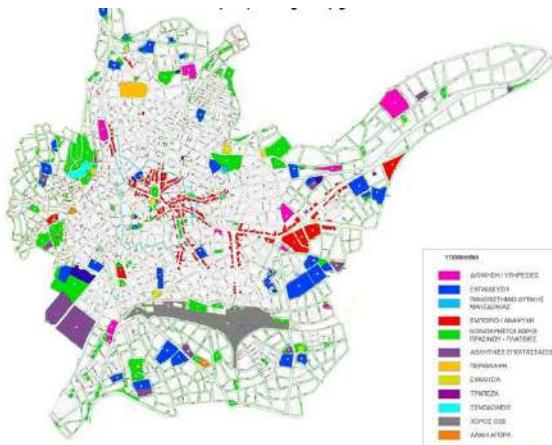


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Park & Ride solutions are a link in the chain of proposals of the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan offering a good solution to meet transportation needs in a sustainable way.

The measure consists of three main elements:

- the creation of five (5) Park & Ride park stations at respective city entrances,
  - bicycle, electric car or public transport
  - the development of an electronic system through which the whole process of booking, renting of any transport is organized.

The main objectives of the measure are:

- Increasing the use of public transport.
  - Reducing congestion and pollution in the urban area
  - Improving mobility in the city.





## Traffic and Transport Institute in Ljubljana

The interventions implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in the Province of Ljubljana are as follows:

### 1. Priority lane (yellow lane)

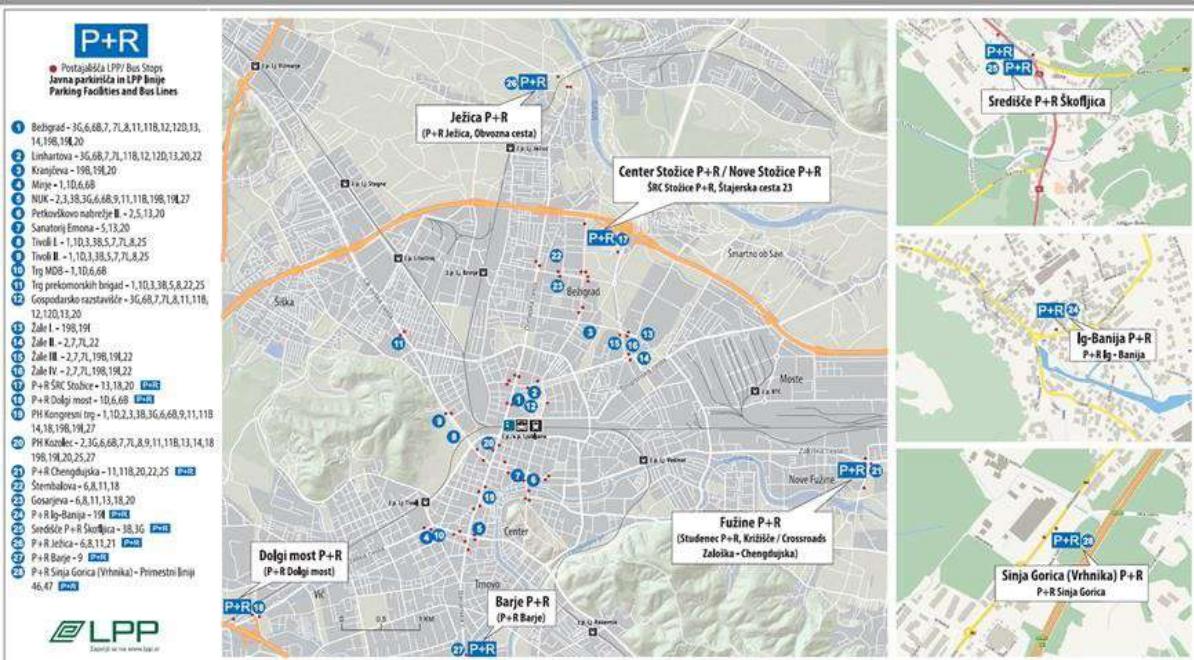


### 2. Park and ride system





### 3. n.59 Bicycle Stations with 600 bicycles





#### 4. Pedestrian zone

Before	After
	
	



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## 5. KAVALIR electric motors in the pedestrian zone



## 6. IJPP integrated public transport



## 7. Demand responsive Service



## 8 Electric Tourist Train





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### Southwestern Region Development Agency

The interventions implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in the Region of South-West Slovenia, with an intervention area in the Municipality of Bailesti are the following:



- ✓ modernization and rehabilitation of 25 roads with a total length of 22.9 km,
- ✓ pavement restoration,
- ✓ construction of car parks,
- ✓ Urban surveillance system with 42 camcorders.

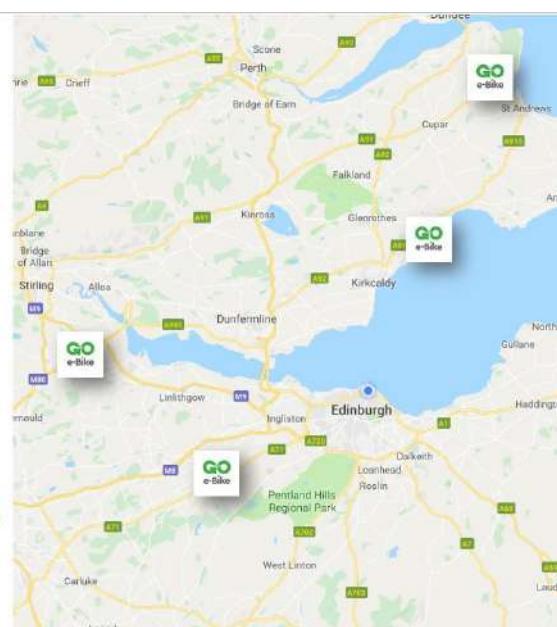
### South East Scotland Transport Partnership SESTRAN

The intervention implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in South East Scotland is the regional e-bike exchange system.

The areas of application are presented in the following slide:

### Our Pilot Hubs

1. St. Andrews University – University staff shuttle between campuses and railway station
2. West Lothian Bike Library
3. CLEAR Buckhaven - tackling transport poverty
4. Forth Valley Links – Develop links between stations and communities
5. Employer Roadshow – 6 week demonstration





The results of the system are presented in the following slide:

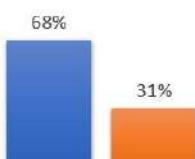


## The Numbers Game

- 414 people signed up across all hubs
- 1039 trips made across all hubs
- 30% of trips made between 3 – 8 km
- 42% female users at St Andrews

### Gender profile

■ Men ■ Women



**GOe-Bike**



## Niepolomice Municipality

The interventions implemented under the Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Mobility in the Municipality of Niepolomice are the following:



- ✓ Public transport infrastructure
- ✓ Bicycle nodes and bicycle infrastructure
- ✓ Park & Ride Facilities
  - New central bus station location (4 seats: 2 for buses, 2 for minibuses)
  - Construction of new parking: 136 parking spaces
  - spaces (4 disabled + 4 families),
  - 8 parking spaces for motorcycles
  - 4 indoor bike shelters (38 seats)
  - 3 Kiss & Ride seats
  - 1 charging point for electric cars
  - Reconstruction of Kolejowa Road, along with bike path and pedestrian path (3 m wide)
- ✓ Reconstruction of the railways in Krakow
- ✓ Vehicle sharing for factories in the Niepolomice region



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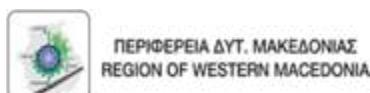
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